

II. REMARKS

Kaisto concerns only a method of informing a subscriber of a voice message intended for the subscriber. This type of method has already been recognized as prior art in the present specification (page 2, lines 5-8). But, Kaisto does not even mention erasing a notification message in a terminal, that is, Kaisto does not deal with the same problem as the present invention. Therefore claim 1 is clearly patentable over Kaisto.

In particular, Claim 1 states *"erasing from the memory of the terminal said notification message in response to a **specific procedure relating to said contacting**"*. This is not in Kaisto. Claim 16 has similar language.

In Narusawa, a stored older notification message is erased in the terminal, when a new notification message has been received from the same source (page 4, paragraph [0060]). In this way, the user of a terminal according to Narusawa receives only the newest notification messages from each source. However, erasing the notification message does not in any way relate to *contacting a specific address from the terminal*, which is the case in our invention. In Narusawa the terminal does not even have transmitting capabilities, since the terminal is simply a selective call radio receiver.

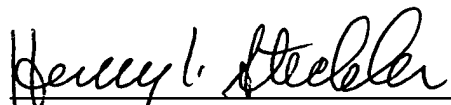
There is no motivation to combine Kaisto and Narusawa, and even if one would combine Kaisto and Narusawa, one would not end up with the current invention. Instead, combining the teachings of Kaisto and Narusawa would lead to a method wherein unnecessary notification messages are filtered out from the notification messages that are shown to a user. However, the messages that the

user receives need to be erased by the user. This type of method has been recognized as prior art in the present specification (page 3, lines 18-27).

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

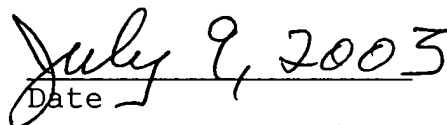
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

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